

12/4/2009

Ms. Laura E. Sinram  
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Federal Election Commission  
999 E Street NW  
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RE: Ohio Republican Party State Central & Executive Committee  
Identification No. C00162339

Dear Laura:

This correspondence is in response to your audit letter dated November 6, 2009 requiring a response by December 11, 2009. Your letter pertains to the Amended May 2009 Monthly Report, for the period of April 1, 2009 through April 30, 2009. This correspondence, along with the associated amendments referred to herein, should constitute a complete response to the issues. In the event you need further clarification, please do not hesitate to contact us.

1. You requested information indicating the Committee assessed the usual and normal charge for the items identified in Schedule A lines 15 and 17. In that regard please note the following additional information:

OFRW - 4/16/09 - \$824.63 - reimbursement for payroll costs for J. Bolin, paid 3/15 and 3/28/09. This is the actual amount of the expense and constitutes a usual and normal amount.

OFRW - 4/16/09 - \$450.00 - reimbursement for cost of postage used. The amount is the actual amount of the postage cost as set by the US Postal Service

OFRW - 4/29/09 - \$439.80 - reimbursement for payroll cost for J.Bolin, paid 4/15/09. This is the actual amount of the expense and constitutes a usual and normal amount.

Line 17 receipt - OFRW - 4/16/09 - \$175.00 - for rent, calculated to be normal and usual charge for square footage used. This amount is comparable on a square foot basis to similar properties in the area.

The entries for the above listed receipts have been amended on line to clarify this information as requested.

2. The receipts from the State of Ohio are for Tax check off funds. The entry has been amended on -line to add this clarification.

3. Schedule H3 supporting Line 18(a) - report has been amended to provide breakdown of the transfers as requested.

4. Payments for "staff health insurance" and "Health Insurance - Dewine" have been amended to add the description "not 25%" to the entry. These individuals do not spend more than 25% of their time on Federal Election Activity.

5. The payment made for the painting of the Headquarters office was to an independent contractor not an employee of the Committee.

6. The payments identified on Schedule B line 21(b) noted as "Prospecting donors" were not made on behalf of any specific

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